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City Of Douglas Acquires Former Food City Property in Effort to Attract Grocer

Douglas, AZ (April 7, 2023) - The City of Douglas recently acquired commercial real estate located at 1300 San Antonio Ave in Douglas, Arizona. The city purchased a building from a Portland, OR commercial real estate firm, PacTrust, for \$900,000 after negotiating from the initial sales price of \$2.1 million. Prior to the purchase, the city conducted a thorough commercial inspection through a third-party contractor. The property sale closed on February 22, 2023.

The purchase of the commercial building comes in the wake of the closure of Food City at the subject property in October 2021. Currently, Douglas lacks a dedicated grocery store since the closure of Food City. City officials have since engaged in outreach efforts to entice another grocer to the community but were met with resistance due to development costs, among other factors. The acquisition is a strategic move by the City of Douglas to promote economic development efforts to attract a grocer.

On Wednesday, March 22, the City of Douglas issued a Request for Proposal (RFP) seeking a qualified retail grocery store business for the lease of the 35,341 square foot building. As part of the proposal, the City is committed to addressing issues raised in the inspection to include HVAC and electrical.

View the Request for Proposal [here](#).

For more information on the Request for Proposal contact the City of Douglas Procurement Specialist, Rene Rios, at (520) 417-7317 or email rene.rios@douglasaz.gov.

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